

House of Representatives

General Assembly

File No. 457

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Substitute House Bill No. 5631

House of Representatives, April 7, 2015

The Committee on Government Administration and Elections reported through REP. JUTILA of the 37th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT DESIGNATING APRIL AS ADVANCE DIRECTIVE AWARENESS MONTH.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 10-29a of the general statutes is
- 2 amended by adding subdivision (69) as follows (*Effective from passage*):
- 3 (NEW) (69) The Governor shall proclaim the month of April of each
- 4 year to be Advance Directive Awareness Month. Suitable exercises
- 5 shall be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor
- 6 designates for the observance of the month.

This act shall take effect as follows and sha	all amend the following
sections:	

Section 1 | from passage | 10-29a(a)

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 16 \$	FY 17 \$
Various State Agencies	GF - Potential	See Below	See Below
	Cost		

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect	FY 16 \$	FY 17 \$
Various Municipalities	Potential	See Below	See Below
_	Cost		

Explanation

The bill establishes April as Advance Directive Awareness Month and requires exercises observing the month as designated by the Governor.

Various state agencies and municipalities may incur costs for engaging in the exercises designated by the Governor. The level of costs for affected agencies and municipalities will be dependent upon the location, nature, and size of exercises.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation.

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OLR Bill Analysis sHB 5631

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SUMMARY:

This bill requires the governor to proclaim the month of April of each year as Advanced Directive Awareness Month. It requires that suitable exercises be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the governor designates.

Advance directives are legal documents, such as living wills, through which individuals specify their end-of-life medical treatment decisions.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

COMMITTEE ACTION

Government Administration and Elections Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute Yea 15 Nay 0 (03/18/2015)